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OCS HISTORY PLAN

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Project Officer: OTR

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Content: Although the Office dates only from August 1963, its roots go back through other organizations, particularly OCR/DDI, to 1947. Its direction, and the philosophy behind it, were conditioned by the other computer-backed Agency facilities, particularly in DDP and NPIC. These aspects will be discussed objectively, without argumentation; they do include management lessons which others need not relearn. Such discussion, however, needs coordination with the other Office presentations—which function might best perform.

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Content will be built around the milestones submitted last month to the DD/S&T. Authorities for the OCS functions are few (there being no approved Agency mission and function regulation) but that which exists will be cited. The milestones include:

1947 - 58: Mention of early Agency man/machine systems, including computer acquisitions in NPIC and DDP.

1958 : DD/S ADP study and subsequent action.

1959 - 61: DD/I Automation Staff. DD/S computer acquisition.

1961 - 63: DDI/AS merger with CIA Management Staff, within DD/S.

1963 - Present: Transfer of the above to DD/S&T and establishment of OCS. Transfer of Comptroller slots to OCS, and decision to evolve to 3rd generation computer hardware. Current status.

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